

Democratizing Art in Lebanon: A Vision for Inclusive Cultural Access

Our Impact on the Lebanese Art Scene (2019-Present)

Our initiative SWTEP (sleeping with the enemy productions) launched in 2019 with a clear mission: to break down the traditional barriers between artists and audiences in Lebanon. Through innovative approaches to art presentation and distribution, we've achieved significant milestones in making art more accessible to all Lebanese citizens.

Documented Success & Impact

Our program has demonstrated measurable success in democratizing art access:

- Increased public engagement with local artists
- Created new opportunities for emerging talents
- Developed alternative venues for art presentation
- Built direct connections between creators and audiences
- Pioneered digital platforms for art accessibility

Community Building & Cultural Innovation

We've established a thriving ecosystem that supports artistic expression:

- Partnerships with independent venues and cultural spaces
- Collaborative projects with emerging artists
- Educational programs for art appreciation
- Digital platforms for artist-audience interaction
- Community events that bring art into public spaces

Alternative Infrastructure Development

Our initiative has created new pathways for artistic expression:

- Virtual galleries and online exhibitions
- Pop-up shows in non-traditional spaces
- Direct-to-audience sales platforms
- Community-driven curatorial projects
- Digital archive of Lebanese contemporary art

Professional Standards & Ethics

We maintain the highest professional standards in our operations:

- Transparent pricing and commission structures
- Fair representation policies
- Clear ethical guidelines for all partnerships
- Professional development support for artists
- Regular public reporting on our activities

Moving Forward

We remain committed to our core mission of democratizing art in Lebanon. Despite facing resistance from established institutions, we continue to:

- Innovate in art presentation and distribution
- Support emerging artists and new voices
- Build inclusive communities around art
- Preserve and promote Lebanese cultural heritage
- Create sustainable models for art accessibility

Our success in breaking down traditional barriers has demonstrated the vital need for democratization in the Lebanese art world. We invite all who share our vision for an inclusive, accessible art scene to join us in this continuing journey.

Call to Action

We welcome:

- Artists seeking new platforms for their work
- Venues interested in hosting alternative exhibitions
- Cultural organizations looking to collaborate
- Art enthusiasts wanting to support our mission
- Professionals who can contribute expertise

Together, we can build a more inclusive, vibrant, and accessible art scene in Lebanon.